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Applicant: Ward

Serial No.: 10/619,723

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For:

ELECTRICAL CONNECTOR

APPARATUS, METHODS AND

ARTICLES OF MANUFACTURE

Art Unit: 2833

Examiner: Leon, Edwin A.

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- 1. We enclose the following documents:
- Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Express Mailing (3 pgs., in duplicate)
- Amendment in Response to Office Action dated September 22, 2004 (6 pgs)
- Return postcard

STATUS

2. Applicant	
	claims small entity status.
\checkmark	is other than a small entity.
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EXTENSION OF TERM

3.	The proceed apply.	ons of 37 C.F.R. 1.136				
	(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)					
	(a)	Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 (Fees: 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:)				
		Extension for response within:	Other than small entity Fee	Small entity Fee (if applicable)		
		first month	\$ 120.00	\$ 60.00		
		second month	\$ 450.00	\$ 225.00		
		third month	\$1,020.00	\$ 510.00		
		fourth month	\$1,590.00	\$ 795.00		
		fifth month	\$2,160.00	\$1,080.00		
			Fee:	\$		
If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.						
(Check and complete the next item, if applicable)						
An extension of months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor \$ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.						
Extension fee due with this request \$						
	OR					
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FEE FOR CLAIMS

4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below: OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY (Col. 1) (Col. 2) (Col. 3) SMALL ENTITY **CLAIMS** REMAINING HIGHEST NO. PRESENT AFTER **PREVIOUSLY** ADDITIONAL. ADDITIONAL AMENDMENT PAID FOR **EXTRA** RATE FEE OR RATE FEE **MINUS** x \$25 =x \$50 = \$0TOTAL INDEP. =0 **MINUS** x \$100 = \$0x \$200 = \$0FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM +\$180 = \$0+ \$360 = \$0TOTAL ADDITIONAL TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE \$0 FEE \$0 (a) No additional fee for Claims is required OR Total additional fee for claims required \$ 0 (b) **FEE PAYMENT** Attached is a check in the sum of \$_____ Charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384 the sum of \$_____. A duplicate of this transmittal is attached. FEE DEFICIENCY If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384. AND/OR If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Deposit Account No. 01-2384. 7. Other: Dean D. Small

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In response to the Office Action dated September 22, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows: